(b) the percentage of women amongst them?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). According to the publication "Census of India 1990-91: Provisional Population Totals", in Madhya Pradesh, the percentage of literates to the estimated population aged 7 years and above is 43.45%; the corresponding figure for women is 28.39%.

News item Captioned "Aarakshit Kota Poora Na Hone Se Shikshkon Main Rosh"

2756. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Aarakshit Kota Poora Na Hone Se Shikshkon Main Rosh" appearing in Veer Arjun dated 25 July, 1991;

(b) if so, the reasons for not appointing SC/ST teacher in selection grade; and

(c) the steps being taken to remedy the situation?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Selection Grade has already been granted to the SC/ST teachers as per rules for the period from 5.9.71 to 31.12.85. Efforts are on to locate the left out cases, if any, for the grant of Selection Grade from the due date.

[*English*]

Incidence Of Filaria

2757. SHRI RABI RAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons suffering from Filaria in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether the Union Government have taken preventive measures to eradicate Filaria under the National Filaria Control Programme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a). As per reports received from the Control Units, Clinics and Survey Units established in various States/UTs, the number of persons suffering from Filaria for the last three years, state-wise is as under:

STATEMENT

S. No.	Name of the States/Union Territories	1988		1989		1990
		Micro Filaria Positive	Diseases cases	Micro Filaria Positive	Disease cases	Micro Filaria Positive	Disease cases
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	9772	7017	7273	5040	7250	9951
2.	Assam	57	5	31	1	212	36
3.	Bihar	3669	5876	5517	5862	2849	5477
4.	Goa	168	8	69	8	52	3
5.	Gujarat	104	129	263	107	323	147
6.	Karnataka	3524	1571	193	1011	1871	4750
7.	Kerala	1334	1019	1220	636	1772	854
8.	MadhyaPradesh	1185	1020	706	850	562	872
9.	Maharashtra	26829	5258	23584	5148	18661	2952
10.	Orissa	1233	4948	881	2547	877	2924

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		Micro Filaria Positive	Diseases cases	Micro Filaria Positive	Disease cases	Micro Filaria Positive	Disease cases
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
11.	Tamil Nadu	10172	2752	10668	1413	12858	2588
12.	Uttar Pradesh	2341	3099	2284	4827	1720	5807
13.	West Bengal	231	41	248	1050	200	400
14.	Pondicherry	175	10	171	70	250	7
15.	A & N Islands	196	27	196	28	67	13
16.	Lakshadweep	37	1	300	71	37	40
	Total	61217	34191	59720	29746	49580	36924

(b) and (c). The following steps are being taken to control Filaria in the affected States:

1. The National Filaria Control Programme is in operation in 204 towns covering a population of 42.6 million through Filaria Control Units.

2. Anti-larvel measures with application of chemicals like Temephos, Fenthion and Mosquito larvicidal Oil to all the breeding places at weekly intervals.

3. Source reduction of breeding places through bio-environmental methods.

4. Detection and treatment of Filaria patients and micro filaria carriers.

5. Supply of adequate quantity of larvicides and drugs by the Central Government under National Filaria Control Programme.

[*Translation*]

Promotion Of officers Appointed For Scert By UPSC

2758. SHRI KALKA DASS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether SCERT, a new registered autonomous body has formulated its recruitment rules and regulations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the officers appointed through UPSC in SCERT are being ignored for future promotions in the council; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a). SCERT, Delhi, a registered autonomous body, has formulated and notified its recruitment rules in December, 1988.

(b) Copies of the Recruitment Rules of the SCERT, Delhi are available in the Parliament Library.

(c) Officers in SCERT are appointed through their own Selection Board and not through UPSC.

(d) Does not arise.

Service Conditions Of Officers (Subject Experts) Appointed By UPSC

2759. SHRI KALKA DASS: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether no decision was taken regarding the service conditions of officers (subject experts) appointed by UPSC for SCERT;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of service conditions of subject experts at present working in SCERT?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c). Although SCERTs are in operation in several States and the Union Territory of Delhi, the UPSC comes in to the picture only in respect of SCERT of the U.T. of Delhi. There are no posts of subject experts in the SCERT, Delhi and, therefore, the question of deciding service conditions of subject experts appointed by UPSC for SCERT, Delhi does not arise.